Memorandum of Understanding Regarding the Formation and Implementation of Sister City Relations between Alameda, California, the United States of America and the City of Dumaguete, Philippines

At the invitation of the City of Alameda, California, USA, a delegation from the City of Dumaguete, Philippines visited the City of Alameda, California in June 2015. During its visit, representatives from the City of Dumaguete, Philippines and the Alameda City Council have, through friendly consultation, reached consensus on the establishment of Sister City relations, and hereby sign the following Memorandum of Understanding:

- Based on the principle of equality and mutual benefit, common development and enhancement of mutual understanding and friendship, both parties will further promote mutual friendly visits between their people, actively carry out in-depth and extensive mutual friendship activities and work towards the goal of establishing formal Sister City relations.
- 2. Both parties agree to encourage the government, non-governmental organizations and enterprises, and the citizens of each city to conduct friendly exchanges, especially various exchanges and cooperation in the fields of economy and trade, science and technology and culture.
- 3. It is agreed by both cities that the Mayor and City Council of Alameda and its designee, the Alameda Sister City Association, and the Mayor of Dumaguete, representing the City of Dumaguete, Philippines, are responsible for formulating and implementing the friendly exchange and cooperation programs between the two cities.
- 4. Validity of Agreement This agreement shall be deemed valid for five years from the date of signature below (until June, 2020), and shall be prolonged subject to no notice of termination being presented to the other side by one of the two parties.

City of Alameda

United States of America

Date: June 5, 2015

City of Dumaguete

Philippines_

Date: